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Five Cents

Meeting To Decide Future Of GHA

The Greenbelt Health Association will hold a critical membership meeting on Tuesday, January 20, at 8:30 p. m. at the Center School auditorium. Ruth Bowman, president of the Board of Directors, has described this meeting as "the most important one in the history of GHA," since it will determine the future of the Association. Due to increased costs, the Association has been operating at a financial loss for the last few months, and immediate steps have to be taken to remedy this situation.

Final Decision

The board of directors is anxious to retain the present staff of 3 physicians and 2 nurses, because GHA can, with this full staff, provide better medical care to a larger group of Greenbelt residents than ever before. The board hopes for a large attendance at the meeting since the members will have to make the final decision about the future of GHA.

March Of Dimes Committee Picked

The March of Dimes campaign for funds to care for victims of infantile paralysis began in Greenbelt yesterday, with the formulation of a committee composed of Town Manager James T. Gobbel, Frank Lastner, Town Council member responsible for public welfare; and three parents of former polio victims, Mrs. Samuel J. Ringel, Frank Shea and Mrs. Edgar Weber. Pointing out that contributions collected in Washington are not used outside of the District, Mr. Gobbel urged local residents to make all contributions in Greenbelt. He added that county solicitors would probably call some Greenbelters in their telephone campaign, and although Greenbelt victims are assisted from county funds, he urged that local residents make contributions to the local fund, so that figures will be accurate as to the source of money collected.

Greenbelt's record over the past four years bears out the opinion of medical authorities that the dreaded disease alternates the strength of its visitations to communities, with an epidemic one year, very few cases the next. In 1944 there were 12 recognized cases; in 1945, nine; in 1946, 14; in 1947, one.

Tops In Drive

Last year, Greenbelt topped all other Prince Georges communities with a total collection of \$2000. From 1944 to 1947, Greenbelt funds raised totaled between \$3000 and \$3500. Total Greenbelt expenses for the same period were nearly \$12,000. Of the sums raised in Greenbelt, half is given to the county fund, half turned over to the national fund for research and experimental purposes. The Warm Springs Foundation in Georgia, said Mr. Gobbel, is supported by entirely separate sources.

A letter to each resident of Greenbelt will be sent out shortly by the committee, according to Mr. Gobbel, with an envelope enclosed for return to the post office, either through the mail or by personal deposit in a box to be placed at the post office for that purpose. Additional boxes for "small-change" contributions will be placed in all stores, in accordance with past practice.

Guard Squadron To Be Activated

According to Lt. Edward Kaighn, Battery Commander, the National Guard will be activated next Tuesday night, January 25, at the Legion House after the Boy Scout meeting there.

Following the swearing-in ceremony by Col. David McIntosh, Battalion Commander, Dr. James J. McCarl has planned entertainment and refreshments.

GCS Directors Fill Vacancies; Discuss Prices

Last Friday's GCS board of directors' meeting made a clean sweep of all vacancies existing in the board. Paul Kasko and Benjamin Rosenzweig were elected to the board for terms ending at the February annual meeting, filling vacancies created by Elise East's and Dayton Hull's resignations. Frank Lastner, former board secretary, was elected president, succeeding Dayton Hull, and Paul Kasko was elected secretary. Mr. Rosenzweig was appointed chairman of the education committee.

Big Week In Sales

General Manager Sam Ashelman reported that the total volume of sales for the week ending December 27 was \$40,355, the highest weekly total in the history of Greenbelt Consumer Services.

The addition to the sales chart on the office wall, depicting in graph form the weekly sales figures from 1944 on, caused Frank Lastner to query, "I wonder if Mr. Cormack will consent to moving that ceiling."

Price-Holding Problems

Mr. Ashelman brought up the difficulty of maintaining the GCS current "hold-the-price" policy, and asked the board for advice as to future action. He cited the 5c cup of coffee as an example of the problem presented by this policy. 3,000 cups of coffee are purchased weekly in the luncheonette, he stated, which constitute 10% of the luncheonette sales. He quoted a recent article in "Institutions Magazine," a restaurant trade journal, as computing the national average cost per cup of coffee at 8.8c. The cost per cup of GCS coffee has been computed by luncheonette manager John Coleman as 7.5c, he said. This 2.5c average loss per cup sold would, Mr. Ashelman stated, cost GCS over \$4,000 per year, at the present rate of sales.

Should GCS Take A Loss

He asked the board to advise him if GCS should keep in line with the lowest competitive figure, and take a loss, which would result in lower earnings and lower patronage refunds, or whether GCS should raise the price of its coffee to a level determined by its cost. No recommendation was made by the board at this meeting. A resolution authorizing management to charge 10c for a cup of coffee when purchased alone, and 5c when purchased with something else, was tabled until the next meeting, when membership reaction could be secured.

Mr. Ashelman pointed out to the board that this was not just a matter of a single item; normally managers raise or lower prices according to cost and prevailing prices, with no directives needed by the board. This, he stated, symbolized the question of how far GCS should go at the expense of future patronage refunds, in the maintenance of the hold-the-price policy.

Teen-Age Dance

Registration for the ballroom dancing class for teen-agers to be offered at the local Youth Center is still open and will extend through the coming week. The required number of teen-agers have expressed interest in the class and, following the close of registration next week, a meeting will be called to introduce the instructor and decide on the time for the class.

Anyone in junior or senior high school interested in the class should contact Miss Eileen Mudd in the Recreation Office, Greenbelt 6966.

Journalism Class

The journalism class scheduled to be held in the Cooperator office tonight at 8:45 has been postponed until further notice.

Local Chorus Concert Program Is Announced

The Greenbelt Community Chorus will appear in concert for the first time Monday night, January 19 at 8:30 p. m. in the center school auditorium. The program will include classical and popular numbers under the direction of Dr. Harlan Randall of the University of Maryland music department with Mrs. Thelma Petersen Findlay at the piano. Tickets are on sale from any member of the chorus and at the door.

PROGRAM

I
Dear Land of Home ----- Sibelius
Sweet and Low ----- Barnby
Thanks Be To God ----- Dickson-Lucas
Greenbelt Community Chorus

II
Etude in D Flat ----- Liszt
Clair de Lune ----- Debussy
Valse Op. 64 No. 2 ----- Chopin
Thelma Petersen Findlay

III
Desert Song ----- Romberg
Stars of the Summer
Night ----- Woodbury
Santa Lucia ----- Neapltan Boat Song
Last Night the Nightengale
Woke Me ----- Kjerulf
Rose Marie ----- Friml
Greenbelt Community Chorus

IV
If With All Your Heart
(from Elijah) ----- Mendelssohn
Other numbers to be announced
John Way, tenor

V
Land of the Long Ago ----- Ray
Live Is Meant To Make
Us Glad ----- German
Dr. and Mrs. Randall
Will You Remember ----- Romberg
(from Maytime)
Dr. and Mrs. Randall and
Greenbelt Community Chorus

Council To Study Plans On Disposal Of Greenbelt

A resolution was entered for first reading by Mayor Thomas J. Canning at Monday's council meeting, setting up a committee to study and make recommendations regarding the disposal of government-owned housing in Greenbelt.

The schedule of town salaries entered for first reading at the meeting of December 15 was passed on Monday, as was a motion by Frank Lastner instructing the town manager to write a letter to the proper authorities requesting that Greenbelt be paid its proper share of any revenue collected from Maryland horse race tracks.

Apology Demanded

A letter from Robert F. Dove demanding that Mr. Canning disqualify himself from the administrative investigation committee, was read. The demand was made on the basis of statements in a Washington paper purportedly made by Mr. Canning. Former mayor George F. Bauer orally demanded an apology to the former council from Mr. Canning.

It was agreed by the council not to hold the meeting scheduled for next Monday. Next regular meeting will be the first Monday in February. Monday's meeting was held in lieu of the regular meeting which was supposed to have been held the first Monday in January, but which was postponed in action taken by the council on December 15.

Disposal Plant Will Be A Fast Worker

Town Manager Gobbel announced that the Maintenance Department is relining the incinerator and replacing the oil burner at the disposal plant. The improvement will increase the combustion and disposal of trash and garbage. The work is being done, under contract, by the Plibrico Sales and Service Company of Baltimore and Washington.

Public Hearings End In A Flurry Of Allegations And Dropped Charges

By RICHARD W. COOPER

Amid great commotion and excitement, but with small results in terms of verified "exposures," public hearings on charges of mismanagement against Greenbelt's Town Manager and Public Safety Director drew to a close well after midnight last Friday.

Slate Announced For GMHOC Board

Samuel J. Ringel, chairman of the nominations and elections committee of the Greenbelt Mutual Home Ownership Corporation, submitted a list drawn up by the committee, of nominees for membership on the board of directors. Board members up for re-election are: M. H. Salzman, Sherrod East, Wesley Darling, Frank A. Shea, Benjamin Goldfaden, Wells Harrington, Miss Cyrilla O'Connor, and Charles O'Leary.

The following members were also nominated by the committee: J. Walsh Barcus, Dr. Joseph Berkenbilt, Bernard Bordenet, Paul Borsky, Rev. Eric T. Braund, Dr. William Eisner, G. M. Eshbaugh, Joseph T. Haslinger, Hans Jorgensen, E. C. Kaighn, Donald G. Kern, Leroy Root, Benjamin Rosenzweig, Rabbi M. A. Sandhaus, Ralph F. Webster.

The board of directors is composed of nine members elected annually at the February membership meeting for a term of one year. In addition to the nominees submitted by the committee, four members of the corporation can nominate a member for the board, provided that they send his name in to the secretary, Frank A. Shea, four days before the election. His name will then be included on the ballot. In nominating someone it should be ascertained whether the person is a member of the corporation, whether he would be willing to accept the nomination, and if he would be willing to serve if elected.

The by-laws specify that only persons who have been members of the corporation 20 days before a regular or special meeting are eligible to vote. The membership meeting of GMHOC will be held on February 9.

Waltonians Elect

The Greenbelt Chapter of the Izaak Walton League elected the following officers on Wednesday, January 7: president, C. Don-Bullian; vice-president, Paul Long; treasurer, Wilfred Mead; recording secretary, William E. Van Arsdall; corresponding secretary, Don Kling.

The local Chapter's policy of promoting fishing and camping trips will be developed under the chairmanship of Joe Macchio. Several trips are contemplated in the near future. The Regional Council and Washington Chapters have invited all local members to their meetings scheduled for January 23 and 25. A large contingent from Greenbelt is expected to attend.

Lost Or Strayed

The Police Department reports that many lost articles are awaiting their rightful owners, who need only to identify the items for their return. These articles include: gloves, purses, keys, toys, billfolds and mittens.

The movie, the busses and the Center Store are prolific sources for lost articles, all of which are turned in to the police station.

Two Houses Entered Watch Your Locks

Two houses were entered by house breakers last Saturday night. The victims were Robert Clark, 57-H Ridge, and Mrs. Ann Baxter, 56-G Ridge Road. Twenty dollars in cash was stolen from one home and nothing was taken from the other. The Police Department wishes to caution all residents about leaving doors and windows unlocked while away.

Charges Neglect

The evening was highlighted by testimony on a series of specific charges of neglect of duty against Public Safety Director George Panagoulis by former police officers Robert Dodge and John Belton. Statements from former mayor George Bauer and former councilman John A. Cain, alleging non-cooperation on the part of Manager James Gobbel, were presented to the committee.

One of the most serious charges against Panagoulis was that, at a time when he was acting as Town Manager in the absence of Gobbel, he left the city overnight and participated in a party at Cedar Point, 85 miles down the Potomac River. This was on the day that Greenbelt was suffering its worst snowstorm of the year. Dodge testified that in the absence of Panagoulis he had to call out the snowplows and see that the streets were made safe for traffic. Mrs. Mabel L. Kandler, town treasurer, supplemented this statement by the comment that town employees were upset by the acting manager neglecting his duties at a critical moment.

Caught By Storm

In rebuttal, Panagoulis said that he had left the city only for the afternoon, intending to return that evening. He was prevented from returning by the snow and spent the evening playing cards because he found that he was snowbound. Public Works Foreman Elliot Sines testified that the snowplows had gone into action at 1 p. m. that afternoon and that he had not received a call from Dodge asking him to start them up till 6 p. m. the same afternoon.

On another occasion, Dodge said, he had received a citizen's complaint that a resident had been beating his wife and that a 2 a. m. call to the Police Department had failed to bring help. Panagoulis, who was on call at the time, admitted receiving the call, but said that the same couple had been involved in numerous previous disturbances of a similar nature, and that in each instance the wife had failed to press charges. Accordingly, said Panagoulis, he thought that intervention again would be a waste of police time.

Protests

This response brought protests from both Committee Attorney John S. White and Councilwoman Harrington, a member of the committee, that the police had an obligation to the neighbors who were being disturbed and also a duty to see that the wife was protected from violence even though she would not take punitive action.

Claims Undue Delay

Warren Jones, a town resident whose daughter was seriously injured when thrown from a moving truck on the Greenbelt road in 1946, charged that undue delay by the Greenbelt police in going to her aid slowed her transfer to a hospital and retarded her recovery.

Jones testified that Greenbelt police, although notified of the accident, did not appear on the scene until after an ambulance from a neighboring town had arrived and had taken the girl to the Riverdale hospital. He said that about 25 minutes elapsed from the time of the accident until her arrival at the hospital.

Supporting Evidence

Several witnesses gave generally mutually supporting evidence that one passerby had driven to Greenbelt and notified Panagoulis, one had notified the town switchboard operator, and one had notified the out-of-town rescue squad. Panagoulis, according to this evidence, dispatched a former town employee to the accident in the police car. See HEARINGS, Page 4

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Let's Help Fight Polio

Polio is a disease which only the very wealthy can afford—but which makes no such discrimination in its visits. Less than \$1800 was put into the Prince Georges County fund from Greenbelt contributions in the four years from 1944 to 1947—half of the total collections—the other half going to the national fund for research. Greenbelt polio victims drew from the county fund in the same period nearly \$12,000. In addition, the victims' families paid as much of the expenses as they could afford. The county was forced to borrow \$11,783.66 from the national fund during that period.

If 1948 is an average year (one-fourth of the total for 1944-47) we can expect polio expenses to be approximately \$3000. However, if Greenbelt follows the pattern of heavy year following a year of few cases, we may repeat the experience of 1946, when 14 cases of polio were recognized. In that case, the figure would come closer to \$5000.

This sum can be raised if each family in Greenbelt gives three dollars. That's not much insurance to pay for vitally-needed help when this great enemy to our children's health strikes.

Let's fill that post office contribution box so full they have to put up another one.

To The Editor: Aid Asked

Editor, the Cooperator

The many people in whose homes Martha Edwards has worked will be sorry to know that her own home in Lakeland burned last Friday night. Only a davenport and two chairs were saved; all the clothes, bedding, some money Martha had put by, their Christmas gifts, including a new GE washing machine, are gone.

The family, Martha, her husband James, her four-year-old son Jimmy, and Clara, a thirteen-year-old niece, have moved in with relatives. They think it will be spring at least before their home will be repaired.

You can imagine how much they would appreciate whatever household necessities we can help provide. If you have anything you can spare, will you leave it with Ruth Taylor at the GCS office, or call Ellie Ritchie (7591) or me (Tower 5184)? Articles too large for the family to use under present crowded circumstances can be stored at our house until they are needed. We'll make arrangements to call for them.

Dorothy East

To Study Palestine

The next meeting of the study group on Palestine will be held on Monday, January 19, at 8:30 p. m., at the home of Mrs. Diane Kramer, 30-D Crescent Road. Mrs. Kramer has been chosen to lead the group, which is sponsored by the Greenbelt Section of the National Council of Jewish Women.

Speaks On FBI

The program committee for the Drop-Inn announces that Special Agent E. C. Kemper of the F.B.I. will be guest at the canteen on January 23 at 8 p. m. Mr. Kemper is arranging a short talk on the work of the F. B. I., accompanied by a film.

Members and their friends are encouraged to attend.

Paper Collection

To the Editor:

On the morning of February 7, 1948, there will be a town-wide collection of old newspapers and magazines for the benefit of the Citizens Association. The aid of the entire town is needed.

A paper collection is being effected, instead of a request for cash because we know that each will be asked to give cash to the March of Dimes, the Red Cross, and sundry other drives.

At the beginning of this term, instead of cash in our treasury we found bills! Bills which now approximate \$50.

This lack of cash, and of credit because of unpaid bills, has seriously crippled the effectiveness of the organization. We need money to pay for advertising so that people will know about and attend our meetings; so that we may participate in and aid local activities.

Allan Bryan has generously offered us the use of his truck at a nominal fee. To date, the following boys have agreed to help: Charles Redd, Paul Williams, James Denison, Jack Likens, Donald Hammett, and Francis Carmody. I would like to hear from other boys likewise willing to cooperate.

Margaret D. Carmody, Pres.
Citizens Association

GCS Party For Tom

Tom Okazaki, manager of the center food store since October, 1946, was bid a rousing farewell at last Saturday night's GCS employees' party for him, held at the social room of the center school. Over 100 employees, board members and families attended. Jim Mathers, new food store manager, presented Tim with the employees' gifts to him, a travel kit, a suitcase, and, so that he'd not run out of gas on his way to Oregon, a gallon of Co-op gasoline.

Highlights of the party were games, dancing (social and square), singing, refreshments, and entertainment furnished by GCS employee talent.

Lutheran Church

Sunday—

Service: 12:30 p.m. in the home economics room of the center school building.

Sunday School: 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday—

Deeper Spiritual Life Conference at Mount Rainier Church at 8 p.m. Wednesday.

Deeper Spiritual Life Conference in room 223 of the center school in Greenbelt, 8 p.m.

Thursday—

Choir rehearsals at 6-Z-2 Plateau Place at 8 p.m. Saturday.

Junior Confirmation Class at 43-D Ridge Road at 4 p.m.

There will be a special showing of the religious film, "Messenger of Peace" in the Center School auditorium on Sunday, January 18 at 7 p. m. There will be no admission fee but a collection will be taken.

The famed St. Olaf Choir will present a concert at Constitution Hall on Monday, February 9, at 8:30 p.m. Tickets can be obtained in Greenbelt from Walter Freundt.

St. Hugh's Catholic Church

Daily Mass: 7 a.m. in St. Hugh's Chapel, 58-A Crescent Road.

Confessions: Saturday afternoon from 4-5 p.m., for the children and in the evening from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., for adults.

Sunday Masses: 7:30 and 9:30 a.m. in the Theater.

9:30 a.m. Mass: Regular Communion Sunday for all children of the Parish. The Mass will be offered for their special intentions.

Choir rehearsal following the 9:30 a.m. Mass.

8:45 to 9:15 a.m.: Catechism Classes in the Theater for all Catholic children attending public schools. Instructions begin promptly at 8:45. A bus leaves the Center at 8:30 a.m.

1 p.m.: Baptisms.

Wednesday, 7:45 p.m.: Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions in St. Hugh's Chapel

Urges GHA Support

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

The Greenbelt Association is in a bad way. Next Tuesday, on January 20, a meeting of its friends will be held in the Center School auditorium to determine whether it will be speedy recovery or a pleasant death. Born in the fertile soil of Greenbelt with every advantage in its favor for development into a strong health organization, it now weakly gasps from pernicious anemia from a depleted treasury. It is just about ready to give up the struggle with private practice medicine (is this a warning for other organizations who live likewise?).

(a) A drive for emergency appreciation funds to tide this agency over this critical period. Such a drive should be supported by both the Cooperator and the Independent. Members and non-members alike should contribute to this appreciation fund in accordance with their means. Your contribution of \$1, \$2, \$5, or \$10 should be mailed today to Greenbelt Health Association, 30-D Ridge Road, or call Greenbelt 2121 and some interested member will probably pick it up for you.

(b) All present non-members, those who have never been members and those who have dropped their membership should seriously consider the many advantages of this health agency. It offers a low-cost medical plan, and the most adequate staff of doctors and nurses in its history. It is the best medical "buy" in the Washington area. Join now and keep it going.

(c) The Board of Directors and the staff of GHA should study its program for the future and determine whether Greenbelt will be best served by the present set-up, a tie in with Group Health Association of Washington, or some arrangement whereby we can have prepaid medical service and clinic advantages by an insurance type plan which would include the present staff and the private physicians in Greenbelt and the extension of this service to neighboring communities.

This appears to me to be the most important emergency issue in Greenbelt today and it calls for immediate and thorough action by the town as a whole.

A. C. Long

Lake Brush Fire

A brush fire near the Greenbelt Lake was quickly put out by our local fire department on Saturday afternoon. An alert youngster, John Bryant of 6-M Ridge Road, reported the fire, which might have reached greater proportions because of high wind that day.

Community Church Protestant

Friday, January 16—

8 p.m.—Couple's Club leave from drug store for party at the Beltsville Lodge

Sunday, January 18—

9:30 a.m.—Church School.

10 a.m.—Men's Bible Class.

10:50 a.m.—Church Nursery.

11 a. m.—Church Worship

Sermon: "How Jesus Dealt With Frustration".

Choral music directed by Thomas Ritchie with Mrs. Daniel Neff, organist. Report from the building committee. Clothing for the Richardsons in Korea will be received.

Tuesday, January 20—

6:45 p.m.—Group will leave the drug store for the Christian School at Calvary Baptist Church.

8:15 p.m.—Evening Guild meets at Mrs. Getzin's home, 56-A Crescent Road.

Wednesday, January 21—

3:30 p.m.—Junior Choir, home economics room.

8 p.m.—Senior Choir rehearsal.

8:30 p.m.—Church Women's Discussion Group meets at Mrs. Bruce Bowman's home, 14-Z-3 Lauerl Hill Road.

Friday, January 23—

8:15 p.m.—Philathea Bible Class meets at Mrs. John Elder's home, 13-D Hillside Road.

Saturday, January 24—

1:30 p.m.—High School Class goes bowling at Hyatsville.

Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church

Forestway and Woodlandway
Minister, Raymond W. Cooke
6-X Plateau Place
Phone 7466

Sunday, January 18—

9:45 a. m.—Sunday School

11 a. m.—Morning Worship

6:30 p. m.—Methodist Youth Fellowship

8 p. m.—Evening Worship

Sunday evening the minister will begin a series of sermons on the life of Jacob.

Monday, January 19—

8 p. m.—The men of Mowatt Memorial Church will meet in the church to organize a local unit of the Methodist Men. Every man and young man of the church and school is urged to attend and join this group.

Wednesday, January 21—

3:30 p. m.—Booster Band. Mr. Cooke will show the movies he took just before the holidays.

Sunday, February 1—

A church roll call will be made at the morning service. Every member should plan to be present. A special membership card will be presented to each member by the pastor.

JCC Services

Sabbath services will be conducted by Rabbi Sandhaus on Friday, January 16, at 8:30 p. m. in the social room of the center school. All persons are cordially invited to attend.

Methodist Women's Society Meets

The January meeting of the Women's Society for Christian Service of the Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church was held Monday night at the home of Mrs. Frances Newlin, 62-F Ridge Road. The co-hostess was Mrs. Betty Barrick. The budget for the following year was approved.

An apartment recently purchased by Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Cooke at Naylor Gardens has been made available through vacancy and will be occupied by them in the immediate future. It was decided to hold the February meeting of WSCS at their new home.

Neumann-Fowler

Virginia Dorothy Neumann, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph N. Neumann, 71-H Ridge Road, and Corporal James L. Fowler, USMC, were married last Saturday in the Greenbelt Community Church by Rev. Eric T. Braund.

The bride wore a turquoise blue street dress, with pink accessories and a pink sweet-pea corsage.

Mrs. Miriam Bly, the matron of honor, wore a gray street dress and a gray hat with pink feathers. Her corsage was of talisman roses. The groom wore his dress blues. His best man was Rex Bly.

The altar vases were filled with white gladiolas and mums.

A dinner and reception for relatives and close friends was held at the Occidental Hotel after the ceremony. The newly-weds have left for the south and plan to stop at the home of the groom in Nashville, Tennessee.

OUR NEIGHBORS

By DOROTHY McGEE

Phone 5677

Christmas at the home of the Edwin Huffmans of 33-A Ridge Road was made a happier one by the presence of their daughter, Lois Jean, home from Children's Hospital after an absence of several months. Lois Jean was stricken with polio last summer.

A second daughter, Eleanor Jean, was born January 13 at Columbia Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shea, 6-D Hillside Road. The baby weighed 10 lbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Mitteldorf of 14-X Ridge Road left last Saturday for Miami, Florida. Their daughter, Rhoda, is staying with the Samuel Perchicks of 2-D Westway. Their son, Private First Class Monroe Mitteldorf, shipped out of Baltimore the same day for St. Louis where he will study finance. The second son, David, is keeping the home fires burning.

Mrs. Wells Harrington, 4-C Plateau Place, left Tuesday night for New Orleans to be with her mother, Mrs. W. N. Smith who is to undergo an operation there. Mrs. Harrington will accompany her mother back to her home in Jackson, Miss.

Mr. and Mrs. Del Mesner of 2-N Gardenway had as their house guest last weekend the former's cousin, Captain J. P. Barnes, stationed at Sandia Base, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Mrs. Francis Hargy wishes to express her gratitude to the friends and neighbors who purchased the CARE package to honor the memory of her father, who died recently.

Dr. and Mrs. Norman Olson of 4-D Forestway will be leaving at the end of this month to live in Morgantown, West Virginia. Dr. Olson will be an instructor in veterinary medicine at the School of Agriculture of West Virginia University. He will also be engaged in research in animal diseases. Goodbye and Good Luck!

Mrs. William Brough of 6-Z-3 Plateau Place gave a family dinner party Sunday in honor of her father-in-law who came from his home in Arlington to spend the day.

Mrs. Raymond Strickland of 18-A Crescent Road is recovering from a nasty bout with the flu.

Tom Okazaki spent Monday evening with eight of his friends at a dinner party at the Cathay restaurant in Washington.

Friends of 21-year-old Patricia Strohmeier will be saddened to learn of her death on January 4 after a short illness in Chest Springs, Pa. Patricia left Greenbelt about a year ago; she had lived for five years with her aunt, Mrs. John Resnick, attended Holy Redeemer School, and later was employed in Beltsville. She was the sister of Mrs. Lynn Ashley, a former resident here.

Charles Klinenberg of 13-K Hillside Road returned on Wednesday from a business trip to Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Powell, former Greenbelters, now of Hollywood, Florida, send holiday greetings to all their friends here.

Private First Class Marvin Perchick is on his way home from Japan where he has been stationed for over a year.

Mrs. Sonia Burdwise of Philadelphia, Pa. spent the recent holidays with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fleisher of 2-L Gardenway. She helped Sonny Fleisher celebrate his seventh birthday two days after Christmas. Daddy Fleisher's birthday falls on New Year's Day. He first saw the light of day an undetermined number of years ago, as a blonde, curly-headed infant that tipped the scales at 16 lbs.

Former Greenbelt Marilyn Maryn was married to Rudy E. Cole of Chicago, Illinois, on January 3 by Judge Samuel Heller. The Coles are students at Roosevelt College. Mr. Cole is completing his pre-law course and Mrs. Cole is a psychology major. The couple is now living at 2134 W. Pierce St., Chicago. Both are doing social work at the North Ave. Association House. Open House will be held this Sunday at the home of the Sam Maryns, 4847 N. Springfield Ave.

Jackie O'Neill, 24-C Ridge Rd., celebrated his fifth birthday January 1 with several of his playmates. Games were played and Jackie received many nice gifts. Eleanor White and Keith Markfield were the winners of contest prizes.

Former Cooperator Sports Editor and Mrs. John Costa of 9-B Research Road are the proud parents of a baby daughter, Nancy Sue, born Wednesday at Garfield.

Greenbelt A. C. Whips Kavakos In 53-35 Runaway

Saturday night before a large, well-pleased crowd the Greenbelt Athletic Club trounced Kavakos Grill of Washington 53-35. Coach Lindeman and company were trailing only once in the basketball game, that being the first play of the game on a quick basket by Elliot of Kavakos. The GAC quickly took the lead with baskets by Clark, Lindeman and Burt. Burt added a foul for good measure.

With the score 19-9 at the quarter, a new team was put in play which held Kavakos to 8 while garnering 9 themselves. The half ended 28-17. Well-set-up plays featured the game.

High Scorer

Coach Lindeman was high scorer with 13 points, followed closely by Clark with 12 and Burt with 8. Catloth and Whalen scored 9 each for the visitors.

This Saturday the GAC team journeys to Hagerstown to face the very strong Fairchild Packets of Fairchild Aircraft. The next home game will be Saturday, January 31, with the Army Air Force team of the Pentagon. In a previous games the GAC triumphed over the AAF 32-29.

	G	F	T
GAC	3	2	8
Burt, f	3	0	6
Fox	1	1	3
Provost, f	1	0	2
Wolfe	1	0	2
Lindeman, c	6	1	13
Buck	0	0	0
Clark, g	4	4	12
Mothershead	2	0	4
Clay, g	0	0	0
Cleveland	0	2	2
Total	21	11	53

	G	F	T
Kavakos	3	3	9
Catloth, f	3	0	6
Elliot, f	3	3	9
Whalen, c	3	0	6
Vitale, g	3	0	6
Phobos	0	0	0
Collins, g	2	1	5
Total	14	7	35

Navy Wives Club Elects Officers

The following officers were elected at the last meeting of the Truman Riddle Navy Wives Club: Mrs. James K. O'Neill, president; Mrs. M. Carroll, vice president; Mrs. Don O'Reilly, secretary; Mrs. Ernest Gramatte, treasurer; Mrs. Thelma Sawyer, chaplain; and Mrs. Earl Wilkinson, parliamentarian. They will be installed at the next meeting to be held January 20 at the home of Mrs. Don O'Reilly, 8-H Plateau Place at 8 p. m.

Anyone interested is invited to attend these meetings which are held the first and third Tuesdays of the month. The Club is active in local welfare projects. For further information call Mrs. James K. O'Neill, president, at Greenbelt 5087.

Women's Club

To Hear Speaker

Clarence E. Pickett, executive secretary of the American Friends Service Committee and director of the National Planning Association, will speak on 'Welfare at Home and Abroad,' at the meeting of the Woman's Club of Greenbelt, on January 22 at 2 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Fred W. Pfeiffer, 14-D Ridge Road.

Mr. Pickett, who has been working in this capacity with the AFSC since 1929, officially received the announcement of the award of the 1947 Nobel Peace Prize to the American group.

This meeting will be under the direction of Mrs. W. F. Ehrhardt, welfare chairman, assisted by Mrs. Edward C. Kaighn, Mrs. Ralph N. Neumann and Mrs. Francis C. Yoke.

Several piano selections will be rendered by Mrs. Mary Long.

Modern Dancing Offered By JCC

A modern dance group for adults is being sponsored by the Jewish Community Center of Greenbelt.

Mr. Malinovsky, instructor of dancing at Maryland University, will conduct a series of 15 lessons. Classes will be held in the Greenbelt High School on Wednesday nights.

Those interested can contact Florence Shinderman, Greenbelt 5923, for additional information.

Men's Basketball Swings Back Into Action

The Men's Basketball League resumed play after the long holiday with three fast games. In the first game the Ironmen broke into the win column by defeating the Climbers 44-35. Burt and Garner led the way for the victors with 22 and 14 points respectively. The middle game saw the Rock Busters go down in defeat for the fourth straight time at the hands of the Mixers, 44-32. Ward led the winners with 16 points, followed by Provost with 11.

The Nightcap proved to be the game of the evening as the undefeated Youngsters and Newly-Weds clashed. The Youngsters came out the victors by one point, defeating the Newly-Weds 29-28. Fox and Gleasner helped to keep the game close as both players scored 14 points.

Box Scores:

Youngsters	F. G.	F. T.	Pts.
Carneal	1	0	2
Jernberg	0	0	0
Benefiel	3	1	7
Fox	6	2	14
Strickler	0	0	0
Scott	2	1	5
Neuman	0	1	1
Total	12	5	29

Newly-Weds	F. G.	F. T.	Pts.
Knowles	1	0	2
Comings	0	0	0
Lynch	1	0	2
Gleasner	6	2	14
Eckhardt	0	0	0
Wade	0	0	0
Fitzpatrick	3	0	6
Butterfield	0	0	0
Dyer	0	0	0
Total	13	2	28

Mixers	F. G.	F. T.	Pts.
Brewer	4	0	9
Fickes	1	0	2
Provost	5	1	11
Kaighn	0	1	1
Ward	8	0	16
Sommers	3	0	6
Costa	0	0	0
Total	21	2	44

Rock Busters	F. G.	F. T.	Pts.
Cookson, J.	2	0	4
Buck	4	0	8
Chellman	3	0	6
Zanin	2	0	4
Perry	1	0	2
Cleveland	2	0	4
Link	2	0	4
Total	16	0	32

Climbers	F. G.	F. T.	Pts.
Nihart	5	2	12
Davidson	1	1	3
Wolfe	3	1	7
Mothershead	3	0	6
Cookson, P.	2	0	4
Kollar	1	1	3
Total	21	2	44

Ironmen	F. G.	F. T.	Pts.
Burt	11	0	22
Rowell	2	0	4
Garner	6	2	14
Glazier	0	0	0
Bruno	1	0	2
Nanna	0	0	0
O'Connell	1	0	2
Total	21	2	44

Grizzlies Clawed By Lackey 27-24 In Rough Game

In a thrill-packed game last Friday night, Lackey High of Charles County downed a short but hard-fighting Greenbelt quintet, 27-24. The Lackey boys, playing on a very large floor, continually broke through the zone defense set up by our boys. After building up a comfortable lead at half-time, Lackey had trouble winning the game. The last half featured a gallant but futile scoring rush put on by the Grizzlies.

The local five, led by Bo-Bo Hause, who tallied 10 points, had trouble getting started and looked awkward at the beginning of the game, as Lackey controlled both back boards completely and ran up a 15-8 half-time score.

But as the second half started they began to find their bearings and cut the lead down to five points at the end of the third period.

Fast Wind-up

In the fourth quarter the action really began and from then until the final whistle the crowd was in a frenzy. The lead was cut down to 1 point by Greenbelt with 1 minute and 40 seconds to go, then green and white went ahead on a two-pointer by Hause, but a called foul nullified the basket. Then Lackey team made good two fast field goals and put the game on ice. Hause put in a point from the charity line as the whistle blew and Greenbelt suffered its first loss of the young season.

Tonight they play Bladensburg at home. The girls game starts at 7:30.

The line-up:	FG	FT	TP
GREENBELT	4	2	10
Hause, f	2	1	5
Goodall, f	0	0	0
Williams, c	0	0	0
Trast, c	2	1	5
Bauer, g	1	0	2
Randolph, g	1	0	2
Martone, g	1	0	2
Total	10	4	24

LACKEY	FG	FT	TP
Coleman, c-f	7	0	14
Welch, f	1	1	3
Blanchard, c	3	0	6
Coleman, g	1	0	2
Mattlingly, g	1	0	2
Hungerford, g	0	0	0
Total	13	1	27

Greenbelt plays Gonzaga and Bladensburg plays Coolidge in a double-header at the Coliseum of the University of Md. on Wednesday, January 21. Game time 7:30. Greenbelt boys and girls visit Hyattsville next Friday.

Republicans Plan Lincoln Day Dance

Republicans of Prince Georges County are planning to honor Lincoln, founder of the Grand Old Party, at their Lincoln Day dinner on Thursday, February 12, 1948. The dinner and dance will be held at the Prince Georges Country Club. An outstanding speaker and unique entertainment will highlight the evening.

GREENBELT HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Wednesday, January 21	Gonzaga	Coliseum, Md. U.	7:30 Boys only
Friday, January 23	Hyattsville	Away	7:30 Boys and girls
Tuesday, January 27	Annapolis	Away	7:30 Boys and girls
Friday, January 30	Md. Park	Away	3:00 Boys and girls
Tuesday, February 3	Mt. Blair	Home	7:30 Boys only
Friday, February 6	Mt. Rainier	Away	3:30 Boys and girls
Tuesday, February 10	Bladensburg	Away	7:30 Boys and girls
Friday, February 13	Annapolis	Home	7:30 Boys and girls
Tuesday, February 17	Hyattsville	Home	7:30 Boys and girls
Friday, February 20	Frederick	Away	7:30 Boys and girls
Tuesday, February 24	Lackey	Home	7:30 Boys and girls
Friday, February 27	Md. Park	Home	7:00 Boys and girls

5:00 p.m. Tomorrow
January 17
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For further information telephone 2231.

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Women's Team Downs Laurel

The Recreation Department Women's team walked away with their opening home game last Saturday, trouncing Laurel, 42-8. The local women, appearing in a double-header with the GAC Men's team vs. Kavakos, showed promise of a successful season with a fast, enthusiastic team.

The team was missing the familiar faces of Helena Knauer, Betty Dickson, Jane Linhardt and Jane Jones, all of whom recently married; however, Dolores Wolfe and Dolores McWilliams, 1947 GHS graduates, have been added to the roster, and Arlene Livermore O. and Lois Forrester have returned to the local court.

The GRD Women will play their next game in Hagerstown on Saturday, January 24, appearing on the home court the following Saturday, January 31, in a second double header with the GAC Men.

GREENBELT	FG	FT	Pt.
Donoghue, Ora	13	0	26
Wolfe, Dolores	2	0	4
Mudd, Eileen	5	0	10
Forrester, Lois	1	0	2
Benson, Marian	0	0	0
Davidson, Dolores	0	0	0
Dulin, Marge	0	0	0
Otto, Arlene	0	0	0
Total	21	0	42

Team Manager—Jerry Andrus

LAUREL	FG	FT	Pt.
Souder, B.	1	2	4
Parker, B.	0	0	0
Owens, B.	2	0	4
Redmiles, F.	0	0	0
Calhoun, B.	0	0	0
Redmiles, I.	0	0	0
Parrott	0	0	0
Souder, M.	0	0	0
Cook, J.	0	0	0
Ellis	0	0	0
Redmiles, O.	0	0	0
Total	3	2	8

Swim Certificates

The Red Cross swimming certificates have arrived in Recreation Office. All boys and girls who passed the summer classes should stop by the Recreation Office and pick up their cards.

Child Care Center Wins High Award

The Child Care Center, 14 Parkway, has been awarded a Certificate of Approval by the Department of Education as a superior nursery and kindergarten.

The Center, which is operated on a non-profit basis, gives full or part-time care to pre-school and school children of the age group 2½ to 10 years. The Center is an aid to parents and children, since the rates vary with the number of children enrolled. An increased enrollment means lower rates for everyone. The new lower rates for child care include:

Pre-school children (full day care) \$41. Two in family (full day care) \$65. Morning care only (including lunch) \$22. Afternoon care only (including lunch) \$26. School age children \$26.

Hours Listed

The Center operates Monday through Friday from 7 a. m. to 6 p. m., but hours of attendance are adjusted to family needs. Five employees, including three teachers, are required to operate the Center, which is under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Cameron.

Two benefit parties, a bingo and a card party, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Gene McCarthy and Mrs. Raymond Stice, are being planned for the last week in January. Everyone in Greenbelt is urged to support this worthy bene-

Men's Basketball League Standings

fit.	LEAGUE STANDINGS	WON	LOST
TEAM			
Youngsters	4	0	
Newly-Weds	3	1	
Mixers	3	1	
Climbers	1	3	
Ironmen	1	3	
Rock Busters	0	4	

LEADING SCORERS	G	FG	FT	Pts.
Mothershead	4	27	4	58
Gleasner	4	23	5	51
Ward	4	22	4	48
Fox	4	18	10	46
Burt	4	19	6	44
Buck	4	18	1	37
Brewer	4	15	5	35
Benefiel	4	15	4	34
Provost	3	12	2	26
Nihart	3	11	3	25

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Hearings

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while he immediately notified the Hyattsville central emergency switchboard that an ambulance was needed, feeling that this was more urgent than personally going to the scene. He then went to the accident in another car, arriving just after the ambulance left. All testimony seemed to show that a minimum of time elapsed in each of the steps taken to obtain help and that nothing further could have been done to speed up assistance.

Evading Responsibility

Dodge charged that Panagoulis had evaded his responsibility in a case involving the quieting of a delirious man at the Health Center. When he received the call, Dodge said he suggested Panagoulis go with him to the center but the chief refused on grounds that he was busy. Dodge indicated that the patient was violent and that he and two other men were required to subdue him and keep him quiet until the ambulance arrived some time later.

Not Necessary

Different emphasis was placed on the case by Dr. Hans Wodak, the attending physician who had made the call to the police. He stated that the patient, suffering from brain concussion from which he later died, was "restless" but dangerous only to himself, not to others. No further calls were made to the police to indicate that additional help was needed, Panagoulis declared, and the handling of the case by one patrolman was not considered unusual.

Challenges Charges

Supplementing previous testimony on the separations of Belton and Dodge from the police force, Belton challenged the truthfulness of Gobbel's charges that Belton had sought to shield a drunken fellow officer from discipline, that he had been insubordinate to Panagoulis, and that his conduct had been unbecoming an officer. The facts of this charge had been covered in earlier hearings, and the comments revolved primarily around Gobbel's fairness in effecting the dismissals. Belton charged that Gobbel had been building evidence to fire him, primarily because Belton had supported requests of the volunteer firemen for supplementary fire fighting equipment against Gobbel's wishes.

No Indirect Testimony

Dodge tried to introduce in evidence a wire and letter from former public safety director Wallace Mabee saying that the fire siren had not been disconnected on Halloween's prior to Panagoulis taking over this position. The committee refused to accept them, declaring that previous direct testimony relating to this charge had adequately covered the facts, and that the committee was primarily interested in direct testimony.

Bauer Withdraws Charges

The surprise of the evening for both the committee and the large audience came when former mayor Bauer withdrew all charges he had formerly filed against Manager Gobbel and chose merely to make a statement to the committee. Bauer alleged that his charges had been prepared and filed by other persons in his absence and that he did not wish to stand on them as presented.

Technically Bauer's statement was admitted as further testimony supporting charges already before the committee. In reality it was

merely a resume of comments previously made by Bauer himself at various times, centering around the salary paid to the Town Manager. The former mayor stated Gobbel's salary had been reduced in order to get him to resign. Base pay had been set at \$5000, later adjusted to \$5200, plus additional allowances which brought it to \$6500. Bauer charged that in place of resigning, as some members of the council had hoped, Gobbel merely held on to his job, waiting for the election of a more favorable council. He reiterated previous allegations that Gobbel did not keep the council properly informed on fiscal matters, that he was un-cooperative, and that he intimidated town employees so that they were afraid to give information. Bauer was supported in his statements by former councilman John A. Cain.

As a result of Bauer's testimony, Attorney White suggested that the present council look into the possibility of town employees being intimidated.

Closed Meetings Planned

Although no further public meetings of the investigating committee will be held, according to Mayor Canning, committee chairman, the body will meet in several closed sessions to discuss the evidence which it has received in the hearings. When agreement is reached, report of findings will be presented to the Town Council to provide a basis for any formal action which the council may wish to take as a result of the charges.

The first of the committee's closed sessions was to have been held last night, and the report should be completed within a month, according to Canning.

Concert To Benefit Interracial Nursery

The Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School is supporting a concert by Richard Dyer-Bennett for the benefit of the Interracial Nursery School of Washington, officers of the school announced last week.

The concert will be held Friday, January 30, at the Asbury Methodist Church at 11th and K Streets, N. W., at 8:30 p. m. Tickets may be purchased from Mrs. Lars Bronstein, 16-E Ridge Road.

A chassis for the new garbage truck, which has been on order for some time, was received by the town maintenance department this week. The body for the garbage truck will not be delivered for an estimated four or five months, according to Town Manager Gobbel.

During the snowfall, Monday, the streets in Greenbelt were kept clear at all times.

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